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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 27, 2006 which issued in the above-identified application. A petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.